

Jeremiah 7:1-7

⁷The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying, ²“Stand in the gate of the Lord’s house and proclaim there this word and say, ‘Hear the word of the Lord, all you of Judah, who enter by these gates to worship the Lord!’”

³Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, “Amend your ways and your deeds, and I will let you dwell in this place. ⁴Do not trust in deceptive words, saying, ‘This is the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord.’ ⁵For if you truly amend your ways and your deeds, if you truly practice justice between a man and his neighbor, ⁶if you do not oppress the alien, the orphan, or the widow, and do not shed innocent blood in this place, nor walk after other gods to your own ruin, ⁷then I will let you dwell in this place, in the land that I gave to your fathers forever and ever.

SERMON NOTES

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T. Don Guthrie, preaching

LIVESTRONG™:

Lessons from the Life of Lance Armstrong

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Tour de France winner...7 times...in a row
2012 Scandal – performance enhancing drugs
The only true strength is righteousness.

Psalm 1

Moses – “that your days may be prolonged in the land.” (Exodus 20:12)

Alexis de Tocqueville – “America is great because America is good.”

Jeremiah – Temple Sermon

- **Repentance is possible**

Amend = *yatab* – “to make good; beautiful”

James 1:27 “Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.”

- **Mercy is available**

“I spoke to you, rising up early and speaking, but you did not hear.”
(v. 13)

- **(If not) Judgment is inevitable**

“I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day” (Hymn 98)

“The wrong shall fail, the right prevail.”